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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1626

CHENG ET AL.

Examiner: Ebenezer O. Sackey

APPLICATION NO: 10/655,876 FILED: SEPTEMBER 5, 2003

FOR: SUBSTITUTED ACID DERIVATIVES USEFUL AS ANTIDIABETIC

AND ANTIOBESITY AGENTS AND METHOD

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application to read as follows.

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